

## Message Text

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S E C R E T VALLETTA 0048

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: NATO PORG  
SUBJECT: ALLIANCE EAST-WEST STUDY: REFERENCE TO MALTA

REF: (A) STATE 005888, (B) STATE 009706,

1. ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT HAVE REF A, WE CONCUR WITH VIEW  
EXPRESSED BY USNATO (REF B) THAT MINTOFF WOULD ATTEMPT  
TO USE ANY LEVERAGE HE MIGHT THINK HE HAS RE WESTERN  
CONCERN ABOUT RUSSIAN ACCESS TO MALTA'S DOCK YARDS.  
WE WOULD PREFER NOT TO RAISE THIS POSSIBILITY IN CONTEXT  
OF EAST-WEST STUDY. WE ALSO AGREE THAT MALTA'S DEMANDS  
FOR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY MALTA'S  
NEIGHBORS OR THE EC RATHER THAN NATO.

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE THE TEXT OF THOSE PORTIONS OF  
REF A THAT DEAL WITH MALTA. LAINGEN

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